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Via ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) to Accelerate Investment in Broadband and Next-Generation Networks, WC Docket No. 18-141

Dear Ms. Dortch.

I am writing to you on behalf of Moser's Discount Foods, a locally owned and operated group of grocery stores throughout mid-Missouri. We've been in business for 36 years, and our top priority is our customers. We are a Socket customer, and we urge you not to grant USTelecom's petition.

We currently purchase high-speed internet and telephone services from Socket for each of our locations. Several of those locations were previously served via copper facilities, before Socket expanded fiber technology there, and one location is still served using copper.

Working with one provider for all of our locations makes it simple for us to manage our services, and we enjoy Socket's responsiveness and customer service. Socket has also actively expanded new technology to our locations, enabling us to keep up with the demands of running a local business in today's competitive market.

If we could not purchase services from Socket, our costs would increase, and managing our services would require much more time and hassle. We would be forced to work with multiple providers, rather than one provider like Socket that can efficiently and conveniently manage all of our services. This would take time and resources away from our customers.

Please do not end the ability of providers like Socket to offer an alternative to the incumbent providers.

Sincerely,

IT Director

Moser's Discount Foods